

## REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-OCTOBER 14, 2003

The Mansfield Town Council was called to order by Mayor Elizabeth Paterson at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Haddad, Hawkins, Holinko, Paterson, Clouette, Thorkelson

Absent: Bellm, Schaefer, Martin

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to approve the minutes of September 22, 2003 as presented.

So passed unanimously.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCILIV. PUBLIC HEARING

## 1. Fee Waiver Ordinance

No comments from the public.

V. OLD BUSINESS

## 2. Fee Waiver Ordinance

Mr. Haddad moved to adopt the amendment to the Fee Waivers Ordinance-Chapter 122, Article III of the Mansfield Code of Ordinances as proposed by staff in its draft dated October 14, 2003 and which amendment will become effective 21 days after publication in a newspaper having circulation in the Town of Mansfield.

Seconded by Mr. Hawkins.

So passed unanimously.

## 3. Bowhunting on Town-owned Land

No vote was taken. Mr. Holinko is willing to work on any task force that is formed to study this issue.

## 4. Issues Regarding the UConn Landfill including the UConn consent Order, Public Participation Relative to the Consent Order and well Testing.

No action needed to be taken on this item.

## 5. Open Space Acquisition-Vernon Property

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Thorkelson seconded to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Martin H. Berliner, Town Manager, of the Town of Mansfield, be and hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Mansfield a Grant Agreement and Easement under the Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Program with the Statute of Connecticut for financial assistance to acquire permanent interest in land known as Vernon Property, OSWA-149 and to manage said land as open space land pursuant to Section 76-131d of the Connecticut General Statutes.

So passed unanimously.

6. Department of Parks and Recreation Program Fee Structure

No action taken, however the staff will come back to the Council with the wording for Recreation's spring brochure.

7. Underage Drinking, University Spring Weekend and President Austin's Task Force on Substance Abuse.

The subcommittee of the Town/Gown Committee will have a preliminary report in December.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

8. Reauthorization to Acquire Easements for Rt. 44 Bikeway/Walkway

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Holinko seconded that, effective October 14, 2003, to adopt the resolution proposed by the Director of Public Works in his correspondence dated October 8, 2003 to authorize the acquisition of certain properties and easements to construct and maintain a bikeway and required appurtenances for the Birch Road/Route 44 bikeway/walkway project.

So passed unanimously.

9. Proclamation in Honor of Southeast School's Receipt of Green Flag Award for Environmental Leadership.

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Haddad seconded that effective October 14, 2003, to authorize the Mayor to issue the attached proclamation in honor of the Southeast Elementary School's Green Flag Award.

So passed unanimously.

10. Proclamation Designating the Month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the Town of Mansfield

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Haddad seconded that effective October 14, 2003, to designate the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the

Town of Mansfield and to authorize the Mayor to issue the proclamation as presented by Town Staff.

Vote by voice, thought that vote failed. Town Council then reconsidered its vote.

Second vote on motion passed. Mr. Thorkelson abstained.

11. Proclamation Designating October 15, 2003 as White Cane Safety Day in the Town of Mansfield

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to authorize the Mayor to issue the attached proclamation designating Wednesday, October 15, 2003 as "White Cane Safety Day" in the Town of Mansfield.

So passed unanimously.

12. Resolution in Support of Smoking Ban

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, effective October 14, 2003, to approve the attached resolution in support of the State of Connecticut's new smoking ban.

So passed unanimously.

13. Rural Minor Collector Grant-Clover Mill Loop

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Haddad seconded to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, effective October 14, 2003, to approve the attached resolution accepting the Rural Minor Collector Grant application in order to secure funding for a pavement reclamation project on Clover Mill Road.

So passed unanimously.

14. An Ordinance Regulating Possession of Alcohol by Persons Under 21 Years of Age.

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to schedule a public hearing for 7:30 p.m. at the Town Council's regular meeting on November 10, 2003 to solicit public comment regarding a proposed ordinance regulating the possession of alcohol by persons under 21 years of age.

So passed unanimously.

15. Fiscal Year 2003-04 Wage Adjustment for Nonunion Personnel.

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Holinko seconded that effective October 14, 2003 to increase the pay rates in the Town Administrators Pay Plan by 2.75 percent, retroactive to July 1, 2003.

So passed unanimously.

VII. QUARTERLY REPORTS

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

X. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

XI. TOWN MANAGERS REPORT

The Drainage project on Maple Road will necessitate the closure of the road from 9-2 beginning October 14, 2003.

There is a new monthly magazine called the "Bittersweet Dispatch" which welcomes the natural areas volunteers and is sponsored by the Friends of Mansfield Parks under the supervision of the Mansfield Parks and Recreation.

The Mansfield Fire Department has received a grant for \$86,397 under the USFA Grant Awards.

XII. FUTURE AGENDAS

XIII. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

16.Misc. Material re Full-Day Kindergarten and "No Child Left Behind" Legislation

17.Women's Center of Northeastern Connecticut re: Town of Mansfield's Financial Support

18.P. Davies re: Refuse Collection in Mansfield

19.R. Miller re: Stadium Detention Basin, Storm Water Sampling Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2003

20.Department of Public Works-Mount Hope Road Culvert Replacement to Begin"

21.Mansfield Natural Areas Volunteers-"Bittersweet Dispatch"

22.M. Berliner re: Fireworks Display at Mansfield Hollow Park

23.M. Berliner re: Long-term Monitoring Plan for UConn Landfill

24.M. Berliner re: Environmental Research Institute

25.J. Gerdson re: Vacancy on Board of Assessment Appeals

26.Mansfield Public Library Newsletter-October 2003

27.The Daily Campus-"Professor discusses working NASA"

28.The Daily Campus-"Mansfield Development on schedule"

29.Connecticut Siting Council re: Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for Cogeneration Plant

30.C.van Zelm re; Update on Municipal Development Plan

31.Connecticut Siting Council re: Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for Wireless Telecommunications Facility at 111 Middle Turnpike, Mansfield , Connecticut

32.Planning and Zoning Commission re: PZC approval of proposed telecommunications tower and related facilities adjacent to Town Garage

33.Connecticut Siting Council re: Request to Approve Tower Sharing for Proposed

- Telecommunications Facility at 230 Clover Mill Road  
34.Connecticut conference of Municipalities Legislative Update  
35.B. Robinson re: Thank you letter  
36.University of Connecticut re: Stadium Road Detention Basin  
37.J. Jackman re: Naugatuck, Poquonnock Bridge, Thompson and Williamsville Fire  
Co. Receive Grant Awards

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:35 p.m. Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Thorkelson seconded to go into Executive session with the Town Manager on a personnel matter.

So passed unanimously.

At 8:55 p.m. Mr. Clouette moved to come out of executive session. Seconded by Mr. Holinko.

So passed unanimously.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:56 p.m. Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Holinko seconded to adjourn the meeting.

So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Joan E. Gerdson, Town Clerk